

PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD OF THE CITY OF NAVASOTA, TEXAS

JULY 20, 2021

Attendees: Colton Haffey

Bernie Gessner, City Council

Brad Stafford, City Manager

Rebecca Cole

David Lacour

Brandi Tejada

BJ Moody

Absent: James Laub

1. Call to order at 5:32
2. Remarks of visitors: There were no visitors present
3. Consideration and possible action on electing a chairperson
 - a. Rebecca volunteered to be the Chairperson, David 2nd and all said aye
4. Consideration and possible action on electing a Vice-Chairperson, David was nominated, and Nancy seconded, all said aye
5. Consideration and possible action on electing a secretary. Nancy volunteered and Rebecca seconded all said aye
6. Discussion on Board's role and responsibilities. Code of Ordinances was read to group, Advised with recommendations
7. Discussion on Projects:
 - a. Disc Golf – Everyone was happy that this was going forward in such a short time frame. The construction of the Disc Golf and A. Horst Park is a project for the Boys Scouts. The Evening Lions Club has been instrumental in getting this all coordinated.
 - b. Dog Park, David presented the cost of the dog park at about 9k. This is 200 x 200 of fencing and gate along with some benches and signs. This should take about \$11-12k to finish. A question was asked if there would be water at the dog park along with access to the restrooms. The city will be looking into timed locks for the restrooms.
A question was raised, if there could be fundraisers for the signs to the park for the Disc Golf and Dog Park. Kathleen Terrell would be a great contact for fundraising, maybe the vets in the area would contribute also? On the benches, maybe have names put on them for advertising.
Colton will be checking on the cost of the signs for the Disc Golf and Dog Park, maybe 3 signs. He will also check with TxDot to see if they can put up a sign on 105 for the park. It would be nice to have a groundbreaking ceremony when the Dog Park and Disc Golf is complete.
 - c. Tennis Courts, a discussion was held about the possibility of the community being able to use the new tennis courts at the high school. A discussion will be followed up with the

school officials to see if this is possible, what would be the cost and would there be equipment to be signed out for use.

The soccer fields were discussed regarding the safety of the goals and that the nets are only put up during the soccer season. It is a safety concern, as the one of the goals has sharp edges.

B J not able to attend meetings on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays as he is involved in the Lions Club, which contributes considerable to the city projects.

Colton brought up the idea of community gardens. Nancy will be contacting the Master Gardner Program as well as the Garden Club to see if they have any ideas or would be interested in helping with these types of projects. Colton suggested that the old kiddie pool would make an ideal community garden to get started.

Any ideas or presentation that we come up will need to be to be presented to the City Council. It would be beneficial to have as many Parks and Recreation members present at the City Councils meetings as can be there for the presentations.

Brad thinks that that not only should Navasota be setting standards but that "Navasota should be setting High Standards."

On the next meeting we will be visiting all the parks within the city to get an idea of where they are and what could/needs to be done. Community input is strongly suggested for future input.

An Open Meetings training will need to be taken by all members.

The next meeting will be on August 12 at 6:00pm meeting at City Hall.

Adjourn" 6"40